

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed July 21, 2004, the Examiner indicated that newly proposed claims 8 and 9 would be allowed if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims. Accordingly, claims 1-7 are cancelled with claims 8 and 9 being added. The subject matter set forth in certain of the cancelled claims will be the subject of a continuation or a continuation-in-part application.

The Examiner is therefore requested to enter the amendment and to allow claims 8 and 9.

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this Amendment; however, please consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 502093.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the original of this SECOND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION for DAVID S. VANDER KOOI, ET AL., Serial No. 10/082,033, was mailed by first class mail, postage prepaid, to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313, on this 26th day of August, 2004.

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